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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Vishnu K. Agarwal Attorney Docket No. : 501082.03 (98-061602)
Serial No. : 09/652,841 Group Art Unit : 2815
Filed : August 31, 2000 Examiner : Jose R. Diaz
Title : DEVICE AND METHOD FOR PROTECTING AGAINST OXIDATION OF A
CONDUCTIVE LAYER IN SAID DEVICE

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.114

Box RCE
Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicant requests continued examination, under 37 C.F.R. 1.114, of the above-identified application.

1. Submission Required Under 37 C.F.R. 1.114

a. Submission previously submitted

- i. Consider the amendment/reply under 37 C.F.R. 1.116 previously filed on March 4, 2002.
- ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____.
- iii. Consider the Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) previously filed on _____.

b. Submission enclosed

- i. Amendment/Reply
- ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

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2. Suspension of Action (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(i) required)

Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. 1.103(c) for a period of ____ months.

3. Accompanying Papers

Postcard
 Check
 Fee Transmittal Sheet
 Petition

4. Deposit Account

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees required in the above-identified patent application to Deposit Account No. 50-1266.

Date:

30 Apr 2002

Respectfully submitted,

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